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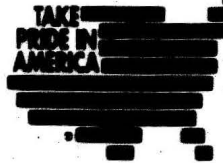
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Ms. Phillips:

This responds to your letter dated March 17, 1993, requesting information from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) on the occurrence of sensitive environments in nineteen different sites in Missouri.

These comments are provided as technical assistance and predevelopment consultation and do not constitute a Service report under authority of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (Coordination Act) (16 U.S.C. 661 et seq.) on any required Federal environmental review, permit or license application. We have reviewed the plans for the proposed projects and offer the following comments:

1. In accordance with Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act, we have determined that the following federally-listed species may occur in the project area.

| <u>Species</u> | <u>Federal Status</u> | <u>Status in Missouri</u> | <u>County</u> | <u>Habitat</u> |
|---|-----------------------|---|---------------|-------------------------|
| Ozark Cavefish (<i>Amblyopsis rosae</i>) | T | SW corner of the state | Greene | Limestone karst caves |
| Missouri Bladder-Pod (<i>Lesquerella filiformis</i>) | E | Restricted to Christain, Dade, Greene & Lawrence Cos. | Greene | Limestone glades |
| Running Buffalo Clover (<i>Trifolium stoloniferum</i>) | E | | Vernon | Open prairies woodlands |

We are also including Category 2 species, Henslow's Sparrow (*Ammodramus henslowii*), Prairie Mole Cricket (*Gryllotalpa major*) and Royal Catchfly (*Silene regia*), which may occur in Vernon and Greene Counties, respectively. Category 2 candidate species are those for which the Service is seeking additional information in order to determine their